



Memorandum

To: Provosts and Chief Academic Officers

From: Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer

Date: January 26, 2018

Subject: Endorsement Survey for the Proposed Statewide Guaranteed Social Work Transfer Pathway

Background

In June 2015, Section 3333.16(C) of the Ohio Revised Code was signed into law. This law requires the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education to develop a process, by December 1, 2018, to establish statewide guaranteed transfer pathways from two-year to four-year degree programs in an equivalent field. In order to meet this charge, the Ohio Department of Higher Education has begun to convene faculty panels with representatives from all of Ohio's two- and four-year public institutions of higher education.

The Social Work and Human Services Cluster Faculty Sub-Panel began its work in May 2017 after splitting off from the Social and Behavioral Sciences and Human Services Cluster in order to address specific area needs. The statewide panel was led by Dr. Tamara Davis of The Ohio State University, and the regional panels were led by Ms. Jennie Babcock of The Ohio State University, Dr. Kathy DankoMcGhee of Owens Community College, Ms. Angie Limegrover of Washington State Community College, Dr. Tim McCarragher of The University of Akron, and Ms. Jennifer McDermott of Sinclair Community College. The faculty panel, which was comprised of representatives of Ohio's public institutions of higher education, met in person as well as virtually through email to discuss, refine, and draft its proposal for a statewide Social Work pathway. Panel members were also tasked with facilitating discussion about the proposed pathway on their own campuses. Recently, the panel finalized its proposal for a statewide pathway for the transfer of two-year Associate of Arts degrees into four-year Bachelor's degrees in Social Work.

What we need from you

The Social Work Cluster Faculty Sub-Panel is seeking your endorsement of the proposed pathway. Please arrange to have an appropriate faculty member at your institution complete the survey as soon as possible **but no later than Friday, February 23. We are collecting only one representative response per institution.** Two-year institutions that do not have an Associate of Arts degree in Social Work or Social

Services should still respond to the survey. Likewise, four-year institutions should use the survey to indicate whether they do or do not offer a Bachelor's degree in Social Work.

The survey asks faculty members if they endorse or do not endorse with the proposed pathway. You will find attached a PDF version of the online survey for your reference, as well as the proposed Social Work pathway.

Important Note: You **MUST** complete the survey via the link provided above. The attached PDF file is for reference only. **Do not use the PDF version to respond to the survey.**

Thank you in advance for your assistance. For questions about the proposed Social Work pathway, please contact Dr. Davis (davis.2304@osu.edu). If you have general questions about the initiative or the endorsement survey, contact Dr. Candice Grant, Director of the Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathways, at 614-644-4186 or by email at cgrant@highered.ohio.gov.

Attachments: Statewide Social Work AA Transfer Pathway Template 1.26.18 Endorsement Survey – Social Work AA (For Reference Only)